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#### HEARING SYNOPSIS

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ADMINISTRATOR

ANNA C. HIRAI ASSISTANT ADMINISTRATOR

February 2, 2023 Agenda (27th Meeting) Present: Buckley, Hong, Hullinger

# **PUBLIC HEARINGS – LICENSES GRANTED**

[Comm. Hong moved for approval; Comm. Hullinger seconded; Vote 3:0]

Surf Bar LLC, dba Surf Bar LLC 2460 Koa Avenue (Waikiki Resort Hotel) Dispenser General license (Category No. 1 – Standard Bar)

Topped LLC, dba Royal Lobster 2250 Kalakaua Avenue, #LL102 Restaurant General license (Category No. 1 – Standard Bar)

#### APPROVED AT PRELIMINARY HEARING

[Comm. Hong moved for approval; Comm. Hullinger seconded; Vote 3:0]

Kelley Oneils LLC,dba Kelley Oneils LLC
Transfer from E & J Lounge Operating Co., Inc., dba Kelley O'Neil's
Trade name change to Kelley Oneils LLC
Cabaret General license (Category No. 1 – Standard Bar)
311 Lewers Street

J&J Investment Group LLC, dba Palama Express 2229 Kuhio Avenue Retail General license

Kamukura Hawaii LLC, dba Kamukura Hawaii, 2380 Kuhio Avenue, Suite 101 Restaurant General license (Category No. 1 – Standard Bar)

MC Concepts LLC, dba Feast 2970 East Manoa Road Restaurant General license (Category No. 1 – Standard Bar)

OneTeam Restaurant AMC LLC, dba Wahlburgers 1450 Ala Moana Boulevard, Space 2500 (Ala Moana Shopping Center) Restaurant General license (Category No. 2 – Live Entertainment or Recorded Music and Dancing) February 2, 2023 Agenda – Hearing Synopsis (27th Meeting) Page 2

Earth Food USA Inc., dba Udon Gamadashi 755 Kapahulu Avenue, Suite 5

Restaurant General license (Category No. 2 – Live Entertainment or Recorded Music and Dancing)

#### OTHER LICENSE/APPLICATION/REQUEST GRANTED

[Comm. Hong moved for approval; Comm. Hullinger seconded; Vote 3:0]

Mele Garden LLC, dba Okole Maluna Garden

91-1780 Midway Road, Kapolei

Special General license from 5:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m. (daily) on the following dates: (total of 77 days)

- 1) February 1, 4, and 6, 2023;
- 2) February 8, 11, and 13, 2023;
- 3) February 15, 18, and 20, 2023;
- 4) February 22, 25, and 27, 2023;
- 5) March 1, 4, and 6, 2023;
- 6) March 8, 11, and 13, 2023;
- 7) March 15, 18, and 20, 2023;
- 8) March 22, 25, and 27, 2023;
- 9) March 29, 2023; and April 1 and 3, 2023;
- 10) April 5, 8, and 10, 2023;
- 11) April 12, 15, and 17, 2023;
- 12) April 19, 22, and 24, 2023,
- 13) April 26 and 29, 2023; and May 1, 2023;
- 14) May 3, 6, and 8, 2023;
- 15) May 10, 13, and 15, 2023;
- 16) May 17, 20, and 22, 2023;
- 17) May 24, 27, and 29, 2023;
- 18) May 31, 2023; and June 3 and 5, 2023;
- 19) June 7, 10, and 12, 2023;
- 20) June 14, 17, and 19, 2023;
- 21) June 21, 24, and 26, 2023;
- 22) June 28, 2023; and July 1 and 3, 2023;
- 23) July 5, 8, and 10, 2023;
- 24) July 12, 15, and 17, 2023;
- 25) July 19, 22, and 24, 2023; and
- 26) July 26 and 29, 2023

AFH Waikiki LLC, dba AFH Waikiki LLC

2250 Kalakaua Avenue, Space LL-100

Special General license from 10:00 a.m. to 11:59 p.m. on the following dates: (total of 90 days)

- 1) February 14, 15, and 16, 2023;
- 2) February 17, 18, and 19, 2023;
- 3) February 20, 21, and 22, 2023;
- 4) February 23, 24, and 25, 2023;
- 5) February 26, 27, and 28, 2023;
- 6) March 1, 2, and 3, 2023;
- 7) March 4, 5, and 6, 2023;
- 8) March 7, 8, and 9, 2023;
- 9) March 10, 11, and 12, 2023;
- 10) March 13, 14, and 15, 2023; 11) March 16, 17, and 18, 2023;
- 10) March 10, 00 and 04, 2020,
- 12) March 19, 20, and 21, 2023;

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13) March 22, 23, and 24, 2023; 14) March 25, 26, and 27, 2023; 15) March 28, 29, and 30, 2023; 16) March 31, 2023, April 1 and 2, 2023; 17) April 3, 4, and 5, 2023; 18) April 6, 7, and 8, 2023; 19) April 9, 10, and 11, 2023; 20) April 12, 13, and 14, 2023; 21) April 15, 16, and 17, 2023; 22) April 18, 19, and 20, 2023; 23) April 21, 22, and 23, 2023; 24) April 24, 25, and 26, 2023; 25) April 27, 28, and 29, 2023; 26) April 30, 2023, May 1 and 2, 2023: 27) May 3, 4, and 5, 2023; 28) May 6, 7, and 8, 2023; 29) May 9, 10, and 11, 2023;

30) May 12, 13, and 14, 2023

Cools in Catering by Sinublan Inc., dba Sinublan Catering 94-428 Mokuola Street, Waipahu (Filipino Community Center) Special General license from 5:30 p.m. to 10:30 p.m., on Sunday, February 26, 2023

Cools in Catering by Sinublan Inc., dba Sinublan Catering 94-428 Mokuola Street, Waipahu (Filipino Community Center) Special General license from 5:30 p.m. to 10:30 p.m. on Saturday, March 4, 2023

Free Spirits LLC dba Free Spirits LLC

99-500 Salt Lake Boulevard

Special General license from 10:00 a.m. to 10:00 p.m., on Saturday, February 25, 2023 (Aloha Stadium Closing Ceremony and Tour)

Groove Child Charities, dba Groove Child Charities

1525 Bernice Street (Bishop Museum)

Special [Non-Profit] General license from 12:00 p.m. to 11:00 p.m. on Saturday, March 18, 2023 (Revive the Live)

MY Restaurant Group Inc., dba MY Restaurant Group Inc. 1649 Kalakaua Avenue, Suite B, the current site of Soju Bang Temporary Restaurant General license (Category No. 1 - Standard Bar)

Pacific Sweets, LLC, dba Redfish Poke Bar by Foodland

Restaurant General license (Category No. 2 – Live Entertainment or Recorded Music and Dancing) 685 Auahi Street, Space #2-119

Caterer's license to cater off the licensed premises to 2375 Ala Wai Boulevard from 6:00 p.m. to 11:00 p.m. (daily) from Tuesday, February 14, 2023 to Sunday, May 14, 2023 (total of 90 days)

MC Concepts LLC, dba Feast Retail General license 2970 East Manoa Road Approval to permanently reduce its licensed premises February 2, 2023 Agenda – Hearing Synopsis (27th Meeting) Page 4

KUY Restaurants Limited Liability Company, dba MW Restaurant

Restaurant General license (Category No. 2 - Live Entertainment or Recorded Music and Dancing) 888 Kapiolani Boulevard, Space 201

Approval to temporarily increase its licensed premises from Wednesday, February 1, 2023, to Wednesday, January 31, 2024, from 10:30 a.m. to 10:00 p.m. daily (Initial request for temporary increase of its licensed premises from Friday, January 21, 2022 to Tuesday, January 31, 2023, was approved on January 20, 2022)

Jinya Hawaii, Inc., dba Jinya Ramen, Robata Jinya and LBD Japanese Bar & Lounge Temporary Restaurant General license (Category No. 2 – Live Entertainment or Recorded Music and Dancing)

1118 Ala Moana Boulevard, Suite 100

Extension of its Temporary Liquor license from Friday, March 10, 2023 to Monday, April 10, 2023 (total of 31 unused days)(Temp. 1, 7/12/22 - 11/9/22; Temp. 2, 11/10/22 - 3/10/23)

Jack Ala Moana LLC, dba Tanto

Temporary Restaurant General license (Category No. 1 – Standard Bar)

1035 University Avenue, Suite UP-105

Extension of its Temporary Liquor license from Friday, March 31, 2023 for 120 unused days (Temp. 1, 8/4/22 - 12/1/22; Temp. 2, 12/2/22 - 3/31/23)

Approved for March 31, 2023 to May 30, 2023

### OTHER LICENSE/APPLICATION/REQUEST CONTINUED TO MARCH 2. 2023

[Comm. Hong moved for continuance; Comm. Hullinger seconded; Vote 3:0]

Eun Kyung Yang, dba Friendly Store 414-E Mokauea Street, Suite 100, the current site of Friendly Store For a Temporary Retail General license

## **ADJUDICATION HEARINGS**

[Comm. Hullinger moved to accept or amend recommended penalty; Comm. Hong seconded; Vote 3:0]

Blue Lagoon Investment Incorporated, dba Fresco Restaurant

Restaurant General (Category No. 2 – Live Entertainment or Recorded Music and Dancing)

2005 Kalia Road

Violation: Rule 3-82-38.8 [Failure to timely submit employee registration list]

Plea: No contest with explanation

Disposition: Letter of reprimand

Gen Pearlridge LLC, dba Gen Korean BBQ Pearlridge

Restaurant General (Category No. 2 – Live Entertainment or Recorded Music and Dancing)

98-130 Pali Momi Street, Suite 2211, Aiea

Violation: Rule 3-82-38.8 [Failure to timely submit employee registration list]

Plea: No contest with explanation

Disposition: Letter of reprimand

Tae Young Kim, dba Ginza Won Restaurant

Restaurant Beer & Wine (Category No. 2 – Live Entertainment or Recorded Music and Dancing)

2155 Lauula Street

Violation: Rule 3-82-38.8 [Failure to timely submit employee registration list]

Plea: No contest with explanation

Disposition: Letter of reprimand

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Foodrim International Inc., dba Han No Daidokoro

Restaurant General (Category No. 2 - Live Entertainment or Recorded Music and Dancing)

1108 Auahi Street, Store No. 150

Violation: Rule 3-82-38.8 [Failure to timely submit employee registration list]

Plea: Admit allegations, with explanation

Disposition: Letter of reprimand

Robert's Hawaii Hotels, Inc., dba Hawaiian Monarch Hotel

Hotel General 444 Niu Street

Violation: Rule 3-82-38.8 [Failure to timely submit employee registration list]

Plea: No contest with explanation

Disposition: Letter of reprimand

Robert's Hawaii Hotels, Inc., dba Hawaiian Monarch Hotel

Hotel General 444 Niu Street

Violation: Rule 3-82-38.9(a) [Failure to have a duly registered manager or assistant manager in

active charge of the licensed premises during the time the establishment is licensed to

sell or serve liquor

Plea: No contest with explanation

Disposition: \$500 penalty

Waikiki Eats, LLC, dba Herringbone

Restaurant General (Category No. 2 – Live Entertainment or Recorded Music and Dancing)

2330 Kalakaua Avenue, Store #316

Violation: Rule 3-82-38.8 [Failure to timely submit employee registration list]

Plea: No contest with explanation

Disposition: Letter of reprimand

IQ Factory LLC, dba La Cucina

Restaurant General (Category No. 2 - Live Entertainment or Recorded Music and Dancing)

725 Kapiolani Boulevard, #C112

Violation: Rule 3-82-31.4(c) [Licensee sold liquor on the premises, which is prohibited upon the

expiration of the license and until that license is renewed and issued by the Commission]

Plea: No contest with explanation

Disposition: \$250 penalty

J.R.M. L.L.C., dba Boardriders Bar and Grill

Restaurant General (Category No. 2 – Live Entertainment or Recorded Music and Dancing)

201-A Hamakua Drive, #101, Kailua

Violation: Section 281-38, HRS [Failure to comply with laws applicable to the business of Licensee,

whether in existence at the time of issue of such license or enacted or amended from time to time thereafter, to wit, Emergency Order No. 2021-04, regarding COVID-19]

Disposition: Letter of reprimand

#### ADJUDICATION HEARING – CONTINUED TO NEXT AVAILABLE DATE

[Continued without objections or reservations]

96734 Tavern Inc., dba Kailua Tavern

Dispenser General (Category No. 1 – Standard Bar)

115 Oneawa Street, Kailua

Violation: Rule 3-82-38.20(b) [Licensee permitted liquor of any kind, while in bottle, glass or other

container, to be open and readily consumable within the licensed premises before or after

hours]

Plea: Deny allegations

CONTINUED TO NEXT AVAILABLE DATE FOR CONTESTED HEARING